

# **COLORADO WASTE TIRE PROGRAM INFORMATION**

## ***Colorado Waste Tire Cleanup and Processing Grant Program for Counties and Municipalities***

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# COLORADO WASTE TIRE RECYCLING GRANTS PROGRAM GUIDELINES

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The Colorado General Assembly passed legislation in 1995, HB 95-1238, C.R.S. 24-32-114 (1) (a), concerning the cleanup of stored or illegally disposed waste tires. The General Assembly further amended the Waste Tire Cleanup Program in 2001, HB01 1018. The Cleanup Program is designed to provide grants for the removal of waste tires that have been disposed of, and to encourage recycling and reuse of these waste tires. Grant funds can be used to pay for the removal, recycling and transport of waste tires to a state or county approved storage, disposal or recycling facility.

The Cleanup Program will provide funds to counties and municipalities for expenditures associated with removing disposed or stored waste tires. **The funds must be used solely for the removal of waste tires from any site deemed illegal by local or state law within counties and municipalities, and for disposal or recycling of the removed tires at a state- or county-approved storage, disposal or recycling facility.**

Counties and municipalities receiving grant awards are authorized to conduct the clean-up work by using county or municipal personnel or contract with private entities or other governmental agencies. In awarding contracts for these services, counties and municipalities may give preferential bidding treatment to individuals or entities that will recycle and reuse, rather than dispose of waste tires in a permitted landfill. The Colorado General Assembly specifically declared that it is the policy of the State of Colorado to pursue proposals from counties and municipalities which recycle waste tires, in lieu of storage or landfill disposal, whenever feasible. The Department of Local Affairs may authorize the disposal of whole waste tires in a licensed facility only in the event recycling or reuse of waste tires is not economically feasible.

In addition to addressing illegally disposed tires, the Cleanup Program allows for partial reimbursement to processors and end users up to a maximum of fifty dollars (\$50) for each ton of raw waste tires located at either a state, county, or municipal-owned and operated or approved storage or disposal facility that are processed or used. This part of the Cleanup Program is designed to assist counties and municipalities that wish to eliminate raw waste tire material from approved storage or disposal facilities by providing a subsidy to waste tire processors or end users through a county or municipal grantee.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the grant program is twofold:

1. To clean up and remove the maximum number of illegally disposed tires in Colorado, using the best methods available, preferably recycling or reuse; and
2. To provide partial reimbursement that encourages the processing of raw waste tires that are located at either a state, county, or municipal owned and operated or approved storage or disposal facility. Financial assistance is distributed to county or municipal grantees by the state to support these efforts.

## **Eligible Applicants**

Counties and municipalities may apply individually or collectively for grant funds.

## **Criteria for Grant Awards**

Grants are awarded based on the following criteria:

- a.) Demonstration that the proposed project(s) addresses tires which are illegally disposed or stored; or demonstration that the proposed project is a partial reimbursement project to be paid to a processor or end-user for waste tires located at either a state, county, or municipal-owned and operated or approved storage or disposal facility.
- b.) The number or weight of waste tires to be cleaned up and transported to a recycling, reuse or disposal facility (volume or acres covered may also be included).
- c.) The waste tire disposal method(s), whether recycling, reuse or land disposal. Emphasis will be placed on projects that recycle or reuse waste tires.
- d.) The total estimated cost for cleanup, transportation and proper disposal of illegal waste tires;
- e.) The capability of the applicant to successfully complete the project using the method described in the application, e.g., county or municipal personnel, private contractor, inmate labor, etc.
- f.) The applicant's readiness to proceed with the project, including any applicable permits or reviews. Projects have to be completed in a reasonable amount of time (which will be reflected in the state contract) to adhere to state spending authority constraints.
- g.) Demonstration of the applicant's ability to contribute a match to the project, preferably a cash match.

***A successful application will result in a contract between the county or municipality applying for funds and the Department of Local Affairs, which specifies the work to be performed.***

***Grantees are restricted from expending any state grant funds until a contract between the local government and the state has been executed.***

## **How to Apply**

### Cleanup projects:

For waste tire cleanup projects, the application must complete the application form DLG-C. The applicant must include a description of the project(s) for which the county or municipality is seeking grant funds, a detailed budget, the signature of the county or municipality certifying that the waste tires are *illegally* disposed in their current location, that the tires will be removed to a state or county approved legal disposal or recycling facility, and that all contracting and bidding procedures for carrying out the work will be conducted in accordance with locally adopted procurement requirements.

### Partial Reimbursement (End Use) Projects:

For partial reimbursement projects, applicants must complete form DLG-A. The applicant must specify the number of tons or tires that will be processed or used, the location of the raw waste material in a state, county, or municipal owned, operated, or approved storage or disposal facility and the cost to process or use the waste tire material. (Note that the cost to process or use waste tire material includes the purchase price, if any, and all fixed and variable costs related to processing.) Counties and municipalities must agree to submit monthly activity reports.

**Application Deadline**

The Division of Local Government staff will review applications for assistance through the Waste Tire Clean Up Program. Applications are reviewed on a continuous basis. Funding is awarded based on consistency with program criteria and availability of program revenues. Applicants are encouraged to contact the Division for technical assistance in preparing and submitting a grant application.

**Questions?**

Please contact Pam Kennedy at 303-866-5491 or via email at [pam.kennedy@state.co.us](mailto:pam.kennedy@state.co.us) or Don Sandoval at 970-679-4501 or via email at [don.sandoval@state.co.us](mailto:don.sandoval@state.co.us).

**Colorado Waste Tire Grant Program  
Illegal Waste Tire Disposal/Storage Cleanup Application  
Form DLG-C**

Name of Entity Applying for Funds \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Applicant:     \_\_\_\_\_ Municipality     \_\_\_\_\_ County

Federal ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Primary Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

1. Describe the waste tire cleanup project to be conducted under this grant program and describe why the waste tires are stored in or illegally disposed of in their current location. Cite applicable regulations and ordinances. \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Where are the tires currently located? (*Please provide a map*). \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What is the estimated number (or weight) of waste tires to be removed at each site? \_\_\_\_\_  
★ *If there is more than one site, questions 4-16 must be answered for each site.*

4. How will the tires be transported? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. How will the tires be used: recycled \_\_\_\_\_  
reused \_\_\_\_\_  
disposed \_\_\_\_\_ \*

\* If disposed in a licensed landfill, explain why the tires cannot be recycled or reused. \_\_\_\_\_

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6. What is the total estimated cost to remove and transport the waste tires? \_\_\_\_\_
- a.) Please detail labor, equipment, administration and any other related costs (Attach additional sheets if necessary) \_\_\_\_\_
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7. How were the costs derived? Please note that a competitive bidding process is required unless county or municipal labor and equipment is used to implement the entire project.
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- \_\_\_\_\_
8. What is the grant amount requested? \$ \_\_\_\_\_
9. What is the applicant providing in dollar match for the project? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What is the **name** and **location** of the state, county or municipal owned or approved storage or disposal facility where the waste tires will be stored/disposed? \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
11. What is the per ton cost to process or use the raw waste tire material? \_\_\_\_\_
12. Estimated Project Start Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated End Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Applicant Name *(Chair of Board of County Commissioners or Mayor)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Position

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**Mail Completed Application and all Attachments to:**

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Department of Local Affairs  
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